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White House Announces 2004 Awards for Early Career Scientists and Engineers

The White House today announced the recipients of the 2004 Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers, the nation's highest honor for professionals at the outset of their independent research careers. Fifty-eight researchers will be honored today in a ceremony presided over by John H. Marburger III, Science Advisor to the President and Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

The Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers, established in 1996, honors the most promising researchers in the nation within their fields. Eight federal departments and agencies annually nominate scientists and engineers at the start of their independent careers whose work shows exceptional promise for leadership at the frontiers of scientific knowledge during the twenty-first century. Participating agencies award these talented scientists and engineers up to five years of funding to further their research in support of critical government missions.

The recipients of the 2004 Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers, along with their nominating federal department or agency are:

Department of Agriculture

Edward S. Buckler, IV, Agricultural Research Service
Devin G. Peterson, Pennsylvania State University
Michael K. Schwartz, USDA Forest Service

Department of Commerce

Daniel J. Cziczko, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Michael J. Fasolka, National Institute of Standards and Technology
Philip Roni, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Joel N. Ullom, National Institute of Standards and Technology

Department of Defense

Ali Adibi, Georgia Institute of Technology
Marija Drndic, University of Pennsylvania
David S. Ginger, University of Washington

John C. Howell, University of Rochester
Raadhakrishnan Poovendran, University of Washington
Mark J. Schnitzer, Stanford University

Department of Energy

John R. Arrington, Argonne National Laboratory
William J. Ashmanskas, Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory
Wei Cai, Stanford University
William P. King, Georgia Institute of Technology
Yunfeng Lu, Tulane University
Hong Qin, Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory
Robert B. Ross, Argonne National Laboratory
Paul Vaska, Brookhaven National Laboratory
Zhangbu Xu, Brookhaven National Laboratory

Department of Health and Human Services: National Institutes of Health

Luis R. Garcia, Texas A&M University
Catherine M. Gordon, Boston Children's Hospital
Joanna C. Jen, University of California, Los Angeles
Yuhong Jiang, Harvard University
Neil L. Kelleher, University of Illinois
Tejvir S. Khurana, University of Pennsylvania
Robin F. Krimm, University of Louisville
Suneeta Krishnan, University of California, San Francisco
Kenneth D. Mandl, Children's Hospital of Boston
Marisela Morales, National Institute on Drug Abuse
Teresa A. Nicolson, Oregon Health and Science University
Brenda A. Schulman, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Department of Veterans Affairs

William M. Grady, University of Washington
Kevin G. Volpp, University of Pennsylvania

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

David Alexander, Rice University
Michael G. Bosilovich, National Aeronautics and Space Administration

National Science Foundation

David V. Anderson, Georgia Institute of Technology
Paul H. Barber, Boston University
Michael A. Bevan, Texas A&M University
Derrick T. Brazill, City University of New York, Hunter College
Frank L. H. Brown, University of California, Santa Barbara
Marianella Casasola, Cornell University
Elaine Chew, University of Southern California

Martin L. Culpepper, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Oscar D. Dubon, Jr., University of California, Berkeley
Michael J. Garvin, II, Columbia University
Sean Gavin, Wayne State University
Jennifer A. Jay, University of California, Los Angeles
Jun Jiao, Portland State University
Shaline Kishore, Lehigh University
Wei Li, University of Washington
Donna L. Maney, Emory University
Daniel J. Mindiola, Indiana University
Becky W. Packard, Mount Holyoke College
Russell S. Schwartz, Carnegie Mellon University
ChengXiang Zhai, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

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